

REVISED SITE DESCRIPTION (ONE LAND AREA)

SITE BACKGROUND

The Site is located east of the City of Houston in Harris County in the State of Texas in the area where the Interstate Highway 10 Bridge (I-10) crosses over the San Jacinto River (see Enclosure 2). The Site's known land area is a 20-acre tract of land (Tract). This Tract (see Enclosure 2) is adjacent to the north side of I-10 and the west side of the San Jacinto River. This Tract is located in an unincorporated area known as Channelview. The area of the San Jacinto River that is within the Site's boundaries is north, east and south of the Tract. This area of the San Jacinto River is located between the two unincorporated areas known as Channelview and as Highlands (see Enclosure 2). The Site itself has no specific street address.

Soil samples taken from Tract and from river sediments in areas of the San Jacinto Rivers that are north, east, and south of the Tract have confirmed the presence of certain hazardous materials, including dioxin. River sediment in this area is suspected to be contaminated with certain hazardous materials, including dioxin, which might have migrated from the Tract. The EPA has evidence that indicates dioxin had been transported to the Tract in waste paper mill sludge that had been released onto the Tract during the 1960's.

Virgil C. McGinnes, Trustee is the current owner of record for the Tract. This Tract is now abandoned. Three exposed abandoned waste disposal pits are located on this Tract. The three abandoned waste pits cover an area that approximates 3.5 acres of the Tract's 20-acre area. Part of the Tract, including the abandoned disposal pits, is now below the adjacent San Jacinto River's water surface.

Samples collected in the area of the abandoned waste pits and in river sediments in the areas that are north, east, and south of these pits have dioxin concentrations as high as 41,300 parts per trillion. Sediments contaminated with high levels of dioxin have been found in the San Jacinto River for a distance of at least one-half mile downstream from the disposal pits.

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ORIGINAL SITE DESCRIPTION (TWO LAND AREAS)

SITE BACKGROUND

The Site is located east of the City of Houston in Harris County in the State of Texas in the area where the Interstate Highway 10 Bridge (I-10) crosses over the San Jacinto River (see Enclosure 2). The Site's two separate land areas are located in an unincorporated area known as Channelview. The portion of the San Jacinto River that is located within the Site's boundaries is situated between two unincorporated areas known as Channelview and as Highlands. The Site itself has no specific street address.

The Site's land area is comprised of two separate tracts of land. Soil samples taken from the first tract have confirmed the presence certain hazardous materials, including dioxin. Information available to EPA indicates that soil at the second tract contains the same hazardous materials, including dioxin. The Site also includes river sediment in an area of the San Jacinto River that is suspected to be contaminated with certain hazardous materials, including dioxin, that might have migrated from the Site's two tracts. The EPA has evidence that indicates dioxin had been transported to the Site in waste paper mill sludge that had been released onto the Site's two tracts during the 1960's.

Both tracts are on the west side of the San Jacinto River. One tract (Tract 1) is on the north side of I-10. Virgil C. McGinnes Trustee, is the current owner of record for Tract 1 (see Enclosure 3). Tract 1 is an abandoned 20-acre tract of land that is adjacent to the west shore of the San Jacinto River and the north side of I-10. Three exposed abandoned waste disposal pits are located on Tract 1. The three abandoned waste pits cover an area that approximates 3.5 acres of Tract 1. Part of Tract 1, including the abandoned disposal pit area, is now below the adjacent San Jacinto River's water surface. The Site's second tract (Tract 2) is an 18.7-acre tract of land that is on the south side of I-10 and is between the San Jacinto River and the Old River. A

concealed abandoned waste pit covers an area that approximates five or more acres of Tract 2. Tract 2 is now comprised of a 15.85-acre parcel and a 2.854-acre parcel. Musgrove Towing Service, Inc. is the current owner of record for the 15.85-acre parcel (see Enclosure 3). New Lost River, LLC. is the current owner of record for the 2.854-acre parcel (see Enclosure 3).

Samples collected in the disposal pits located north of I-10 and river sediments up and down river from these pits have dioxin concentrations as high as 41,300 parts per trillion. Sediments contaminated with high levels of dioxin have been found in the San Jacinto River for a distance of at least one-half mile downstream from the disposal pits.